



CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

August 3, 2000

H.R. 3745

Effigy Mounds National Monument Additions Act

As ordered reported by the House Committee on Resources on July 26, 2000

H.R. 3745 would authorize the Secretary of the Interior to purchase two parcels of land totaling about 1,100 acres to be added to the Effigy Mounds National Monument in Iowa. For this purpose, the bill would authorize the appropriation of \$750,000.

Assuming appropriation of the necessary amounts and based on information provided by the National Park Service (NPS), CBO estimates that implementing H.R. 3745 would cost the federal government about \$2 million over the next five years. Of this amount, \$750,000 would be used to purchase the two parcels authorized for inclusion in the monument's boundaries and \$500,000 would be used to construct a visitor contact station on the larger of the two parcels, the Ferguson/Kistler tract. Finally, annual costs to operate the expanded monument would increase by about \$250,000 as a result of the bill.

H.R. 3745 would not affect direct spending or receipts; therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures would not apply. The bill contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act and would have no significant impact on the budgets of state, local, or tribal governments.

On July 19, 2000, CBO submitted a cost estimate for S. 1643, the Effigy Mounds National Monument Additions Act, as ordered reported by the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources on July 13, 2000. The Senate bill would allow three more land parcels to be acquired by the NPS and would authorize \$250,000 more for that purpose.

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